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This communication is in response to the Examiner's Final Office Action dated March 7, 2008, in which claims 1-10 were rejected. Applicants respectfully request entry of this communication after final and reconsideration of the claimed invention. In the alternative, Applicants respectfully request entry of this communication in order to present rejected claims in better form for consideration on appeal.